



**Tufts Medical Center
Lemuel Shattuck Hospital**

Transitional Year Residency Program



ORDER WRITING POLICY

Effective July 2003

REVISED: June 2008

Expiration: Indefinite

Purpose: To formalize the procedure for the order writing in patient charts by PGY-1 Residents and Sr. Medical Residents.

Policy: Medication orders consistent with the staff physicians treatment plan should be written by PGY-1 Residents. Admission orders must be reviewed and cosigned by the Sr. Medical Resident, the Sr. House Officer, or the Attending Physician. Intravenous antineoplastic drugs, TPN and intravenous conscious sedation can only be ordered by medical staff members with appropriate clinical privileges. Do Not Resuscitate orders written by PGY-1 Resident must be countersigned by the Sr. House Officer or the Attending Physician. For patient restraint (chemical and physical, for safety and behavior) please refer to the hospital policies III 12 & III 12A.